GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

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ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS
PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the major Administrative reforms suggested by various Committees, Commissions during the past three years;

(b) whether the Government have initiated some such reforms in the country as a result thereof;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND M OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE. (SMT.VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a),(b),(c)&(d): Improvement of governance is an ongoing process and, towards this end, Committees, Expert Groups etc. are constituted by various Ministries/Departments from time to time for suggesting improvements in methods and procedures of work, organisational structures, changes in Acts, rules, regulations etc. No centralised information is maintained in this regard. The Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure) had set up an Expenditure Reforms Commission on 28 February, 2000 under the Chairmanship of Shri K.P. Geethakrishanan, former Finance Secretary. The terms of reference of the ERC included suggesting a roadmap for reducing the function, activities and administrative structure of the Central Government, review of the adequacy of staffing under Central Government ministries, attached offices and suggesting measures for rationalizing the staff and cadres of different services. The Commission has submitted 10 Reports in all covering various Ministries/Departments etc. The Department of Expenditure have requested the respective Ministry/Department/organisation to take follow-up action to implement the recommendations of the Commission.